

CIRM Funded Clinical Trials

Phase 1 Study of CD19/CD22 Chimeric Antigen Receptor (CAR) T Cells in Adults with Recurrent or Refractory B Cell Malignancies

Disease Area: B cell cancers

Investigator: Crystal Mackall

Institution: Stanford University

CIRM Grant: CLIN2-10846 (Pre-Active)

Award Value: \$11,976,906

Trial Sponsor: Stanford University

Trial Stage: Phase 1

Trial Status: Launching

Targeted Enrollment: N/A



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Details:

Chimeric Antigen Receptor (CAR) T Cell Therapy is an innovative cancer therapy with very encouraging response rates in patients. The therapy works by isolating a patient's own T cells (a type of immune cell) and then genetically engineering them to recognize a protein on the surface of cancer cells, triggering their destruction. In some patients with B cell leukemias, however, cancer cells escape detection by the modified T cells and cause the cancer's reoccurrence.

Researchers at the Stanford University School of Medicine have developed an engineered T cell designed to recognize not one, but two, cell surface proteins on cancer cells with the aim of enhancing a patient's response to the therapy and reducing the potential for relapse. In addition, some of the T cells will form memory stem cells that will survive for years and continue to survey the body, killing any new or surviving cancer cells.

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